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Chairman Julius Genachowski
Commissioner Michael J. Copps
Commissioner Robert M. McDowell
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn

Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: WT Docket 11-65

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

I am the Mayor of Oskaloosa, Iowa in the south eastern part of the state. We are located just an hour from Des Moines, the state's largest city, but when it comes to access to the latest and fastest access to wireless, small communities like mine are often years behind the services in larger cities.

When I heard about the merger between AT&T and T-Mobile, I was encouraged to learn the company would make an \$8 billion investment in infrastructure to expand the latest mobile broadband technologies to wider areas of Iowa and 97% of the country. This will mean access to 4G mobile broadband technologies at the same rate as more urban communities in the state.

We need a mix of public and private investment to ensure communities like Oskaloosa won't be left behind in the next technological wave. The growth of existing businesses and our ability to recruit others depend on Oskaloosa having communication services competitive with urban centers. I encourage the Federal Communications Commission to consider the impact of the merger on all areas of the country, not just our urban centers.

Sincerely,

David Krutzfeldt
Mayor

